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## O.E.S. Install New Officers

Sister Mable McIntyre presided as Installing Matron and Sister Velma McBean as Installing Marshall at the O.E.S. installation ceremony held on Saturday, December 8th.

There were 41 visitors present from Bassano, Strathmore and Calgary.

The officers elected for 1952 are as follows:

Worthy Matron—May Somerville.  
Worthy Patron—Alvin Mullen.  
As. Matron—Minnie McLean.  
Asoc. Patron—Norris Yates.  
Secretary—Margaret MacArthur.  
Treasurer—Dorothy Koefoed.  
Conductress—Betty Michael.  
Asoc. Cond.—Adina Sidenman.  
Captain—Fay Pugh.  
Marshall—Margaret Yates.  
Organist—Ralphene Bolinger.  
Aids—Winnie Tower.  
Ruth—Eva Collins.  
Ethers—Florence Mullen.  
Martha—Lillian Sammons.  
Electa—Velma McLean.  
Warder—Bertha Ha kayna.  
Sentinel—Bill Sidenman.

A pretty candle send-off was given to honor the retiring Worthy Matron and Patron, Sister Margaret and Bro. Hugh Brown.

The W. M. was presented with her past matron's jewel and Bro. Brown received a gift.

Sister Somerville, after being installed was presented with a corsage by her sister, Dorothy Koefoed, on behalf her niece and also a gift from her daughter Mrs. Peggy Clark.

The newly elected officers gave an address honoring the new Worthy Matron during which she received a bouquet of carnations.

Sister Margaret MacArthur sang a solo which was enjoyed very much.

After the exchange of Christmas gifts a pleasant hour was spent at the lunch table.

## AMAS SUGGESTIONS

When you are looking for toys this Christmas for the "middle-aged" child—the one from six to eight, don't think you can get away with a stuffed animal any more. Youngsters who are off to school will look down on toys that smack of babyhood.

The interest of these children has reached beyond the walls of their home. Adventure, magic and excitement are their delight. Radio stories and the fables are big things in their lives. Their interests are more diverse than deep; their hobbies are usually short-lived but pursued with tremendous enthusiasm.

These are the factors to keep in mind when buying toys. It satisfies that boundless energy and the desire to learn new skills and to be able to welcome a bicycle, roller skates, skis, ice skates, a ping pong set. A pet is a fine present, but if you are not the parent you must be wise to consult them first. You won't go wrong with beginner's kits for making models, carpentry, printing, chemistry, carving, embroidery and so on. But make sure that the kits contain sturdy serviceable tools which can be put to use for the length of time the enthusiasm lasts.

In the child of nine or ten the "toy" comes and family is not so strong. Now it's the gang which exerts the influence. He has become skeptical, practical and realistic. He wants factual information about a world. He is capable of playing on his own and shunning the rules, but also likes to form exclusive clubs and set up codes of behavior.

Don't expect the 10-year old to go into raptures over a set of toy soldiers. Solitary games of imagination belong to his past. Give him a gift he can use in a game such things as puppets, lantern slides, or a magic set.

When you buy him tools or equipment for games make sure they are "regulation", not toys. Let him match wits with his parents in games like checkers and chess and card games. Pick his books carefully avoiding phantasy and make believe, choosing instead stories of adventure.

One last word of caution—if you decide to give a nine or ten-year old an article of clothing be sure that it is what the gang is wearing.

Poor eyesight won't get you out of the army nowadays. They just put you up front here and you see too.

A group of items is called a grade.

## The Bachelor's Dilemma



The night before Christmas Harry Holmes, the plump young executive with the bow tie, came home to his bachelor apartment near the university and found the janitor had put a turkey on the kitchen table. It was a fine big bird weighing twenty-two pounds, far too big for his small ice box and tied to the leg was a note from the manager of his favorite restaurant congratulating him on winning a big turkey raffle.

Wondering when he had taken the ticket he thought, "Well, the devil must look after his own," and he telephoned his brother's wife who had invited him for dinner on Christmas Day. "Well, this year, for a change I'll provide the turkey," he said, feeling exuberant. "I've got it right here."

"Oh, Harry, that's a shame," said. "We've got a turkey big enough for three days. It's in the ice box. There was no room in the ice box for his turkey and so she had to disappear."

Soon he was smiling and indulging himself, anticipating the pleasure he would get giving the turkey to Tom Fill, his underpaid assistant who had just got married. Then he talked on the telephone to Tom, who had to explain his wife had bought a turkey that afternoon, and he was so apologetic and embarrassed Harry thought "You'd think I was trying to get him to do something for me, and he felt amused."

He called three old friends. Two were out of town for a holiday; the other had won a turkey in a bowling alley. Then it remembered that their sports columnist of the local news-

papers, were accustomed to forgo either at this hour in a cafe. With the turkey in his arms he took a taxi to the cafe, grinned jovially at the hat check girl who asked him to check the turkey, took past her to the familiar corner table, laid the turkey before his astonished friends and invited them to taste for it. One telephone call, his wife, the other his late.

Both had turkeys and crowded refrigerator. The hostile winter glare at the turkey laying on the table. And Harry's friends, having stood in line to make jokes. "In the kitchen," on said, teasing Harry and pretending to be in the theatrical business, "we have a turkey on our hands." It was all very jolly, and he laughed to, but the fact was they didn't appreciate that he had thought of them, and he had to pick up his turkey and go home.

In the kitchen, standing beside the turkey, he felt irritated. It was as if his brother's wife and Tom and all his friends had joined to deny him the satisfaction of pleasing them with a gift, and as he looked out of the window at the lighted houses of the city he suddenly felt discontented with his life which had been going so smoothly until he had to get a turkey cooked. There's something; the matter with the world when you can't give a turkey to anyone who knows you," he thought. "To the devil with it!"

Then he tried to sell the turkey to the restaurant, but the manager refused to buy back a turkey he had given away. "Why don't you try a butcher store a few blocks away

was still open, but the bald-headed butcher, pointing to his turkey-filled window, said "Look what I have left! I'll sell you one at half price!" On the way home the big turkey seemed to take on weight. Harry's arms ached, and he was glad when he dumped it on the kitchen table. Exhausted, he lay down and fell asleep.

At the Christmas dinner at his brother's place they were surprised to find his turkey was still on his kitchen table, and he wondered why he felt ashamed. When he got home in the evening he stared uneasily at the bird. "It'll go bad," he thought and sniffed. Flicking it up he went out and began to cross the park. It began to snow. Wet dead leaves in the melting snow glistened under the park lights. Shifting the turkey from one arm to the other, he headed for a church along a side street. There he asked the white-haired man who answered the door, "Do you know anyone who would like a Christmas turkey?" He added apologetically, "It's late, I know."

"It's never too late, my son," the old man said. "I know a hundred poor families in the neighborhood who'll appreciate a turkey. You give me your name?"

"It doesn't matter," Harry said. "I'll be there as soon as I can." The weight of the turkey being lifted off his arms he understood why he had felt ashamed at his brother's place. He hadn't been looking for someone who would appreciate a turkey. He had been looking for someone who would appreciate him.

## Notes From B.V.C. High School

BY ALEDA KILCUP

Our school made \$102.07 on our recent magazine subscription sale.

This campaign was run with Jim Jones as business manager. Dick Haskayne was in charge of Gleichen sales and Jack Haggarty was in charge of Chumby. Also Dick was Larry Plante for the girls. Chumby decided to take separate prizes. Their prize winners were Ronnie Derrick, a radio; Beverly Clark, wallet and Loretta McCreary, wallet. The Gleichen students put all their points together in order to get one large prize to raffie off for the hockey club. We would like to thank all those who supported us in this recent campaign.

The teachers of B.V.C. were in Husar on December 9, holding Parent-teacher conferences.

The following is our Students Union executive for this term:

President—Edward Holt.  
Vice-President—Kenneth Gordon.  
Recording secretary—Elsie Jones.  
Corresponding secretary—Ann Koefoed.

Room representatives:  
Grade nine—Bill Ham.  
Grade ten—May Hoff.  
Grade eleven—Marvin Prowse.  
Grade twelve—Not elected.  
Convener of Social Committee—Adelle Corbell.  
Convener of Sports Committee—Laurie Laidlaw.  
Convener of Public Committee—

Alela Kilcup.  
Convener of Ring Committee—Jack Haggarty.

It has been decided to postpone the presentation of the Governor-General's medal to Ida Schever of Gleichen indefinitely because of the sickness and everything else that is going on at this time of year.

The Christmas concert will be held in the Chumby Hall on December 20th (Thursday) at 8 p.m. There will be a dance following sponsored by the students union. Mrs. B. Gleichen. Everyone is invited to attend.

We want to offer our sympathy to those students of B.V.C. who are home sick. Come on kids get well soon—you don't want to miss too much school.

Mr. Buttler. Beware David Murphy. One of these days he is going to come up with some trigonometry that will even make you wonder where he got it.

Again students we appeal to you to back this column. Turn your contribution into either Bill Holt, Hattie Barger, Darlene Schaffer or Alela Kilcup before Thursday of each week.

## Legion W. A. Have Meeting

The regular meeting of the Women's Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., was held in the Legion Hall Thursday evening with 38 members present.

In the absence of the president the vice-president, Mrs. Taylor, occupied

the chair and the meeting was conducted in the usual way.

Mrs. Michael gave her report on collecting for the blind fund and thanked all who so kindly helped her collect the sum of 192.54 which was forwarded to headquarters.

A pair of beautiful pillow cases were donated by Mrs. Makin to the Auxiliary to be raffied at a later date.

Mrs. Cousineau, who will be leaving shortly was presented with a beautiful cup and saucer.

One of the members, Mrs. Buxton, (Nea Ann Bell) was granted a transfer.

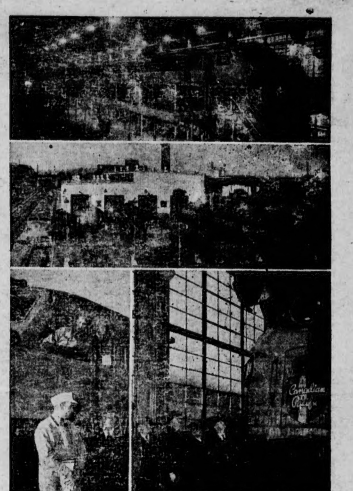
Arrangements were made for the Amateur Show and as soon as it is sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary on February 1st. Bills will be posted soon.

After the meeting adjourned Christmas gifts were exchanged.

A tasty lunch ended a very enjoyable evening.

## W. F. Durston's 88 Birthday

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## 'Tis the Season to be Jolly

We wish you a good Old-fashioned Merry Christmas.

May your home echo with the merry warmth of laughter and the hearty ring of gaiety.

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## Town & District

Miss Yvonne Renaud, sister of Mrs. A. N. McEay, underwent an operation in the Holy Cross hospital last Friday.

Mrs. Sherbeck is at present confined to her home with a severe cold. Mrs. Sherbeck is a member of the teaching staff at the Gleichen school.

The Legion is putting on a Christmas tree entertainment next Saturday night in their hall.

An amateur show will be staged by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion on February 1st. The setting will be in the Gleichen Community Hall.

Mrs. W. McConnell is a present in a hospital in Calgary quite ill.

Mr. Charles Hutton received word that his mother died Saturday at her home in Stalybridge, Cheshire, England, at the age of 92 years. She is survived by eight children. Jimmy Hutton, Mr. Hutton's son is at present in England with the R. C. A. F. and he saw his grandmother the day before she died and also attended the funeral.

At Chancellor a five company team of Calgary oil firms discovered natural gas and some naphtha on farmstead lands from Socoxy-Vacuum Exploration Company. This strike was made in the Sunburst and section, and company officials believe that between 20 and 25 feet of gas can be encountered from top of the sand at 4,700 feet. Natural gas flow rates ranged from 3,700,000 to 5,600,000 cubic feet daily during drillstem tests and one hour recoveries of several feet of naphtha or light oil. Latest test, at 4,700 feet and in a tight sand section, gave only gasified drillstem mud. No water has as yet shown during tests. Coring will be continued through this and if warranted testing will be carried out to top of the Madison.

leine Hat district which includes Gleichen district, it is announced by D. King, chairman of the Medicine Hat Kinsmen Club Christmas Seal committee. Mr. King said, "We are still \$2,350 from our objective of \$9,000, which we hope to reach by Christmas."

Alberta's provincial receipts now total \$106,750, still \$78,250 short of the provincial \$185,000 objective, according to reports from the Alberta Tuberculosis Association, Calgary. D. W. Robertson, honorary treasurer said that the association hoped to continue with its program of installing x-ray equipment in hospitals for routine chest x-ray of all admissions, but that further installations will have to depend on results of the 1951 Christmas Seal sale.

Some 15 x-ray units are now in operation in hospitals throughout the province, all paid for through the Christmas Seal fund. Another 12 hospitals have applied for x-ray equipment, which will cost at least \$50,000.

Christmas Seal contributions are income tax deductible, and receipts will be sent on request.

## United Church W.A.

The Gleichen United Church W. A. met at the home of Mrs. C. R. McIntyre on December 4th, with 22 members and one visitor present.

In the absence of the president the vice-president, Mrs. Pugh, presided over the meeting.

After the business part of the meeting was finished the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held at the Manse on January 9th.

The polyantha exchange of gifts were passed around and many nice comments were made. A pleasant hour over a tasty lunch ended the meetings for the year 1951.

## GOVERNMENT LIQUOR CONTROL ACT OF ALBERTA APPLICATION FOR CLUB LICENSE

Public notice is hereby given that the Canadian Legion, R.E.S.L. No. 13, Gleichen Branch intends to apply to the Alberta Liquor Control Board for a License to sell beer by the glass or open bottle to members thereof for consumption on the following-described premises:

Name of Club, Canadian Legion B. R.E.S.L. Branch No. 13.  
Address, 3rd Avenue, Gleichen.  
Block, Lot and Plan No., Lots 28, 29 and 30, Block No. 3, Plan 240B.  
Dated at Gleichen, Alberta, this 24 day of November, 1951.

R. W. BLICK,  
Secretary.

Any person desirous of protesting against the issuance of a Club License to the applicant should notify the Alberta Liquor Control Board, Edmonton, in writing, within thirty days of the date shown at the foot of this advertisement.

Medical statistics show 600,000 Canadians suffer from arthritis or rheumatism.



## Xmas Seal Campaign

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